

REMARKS

This application is being filed concurrently with entry into the National Stage (Chapter I) of International Application No. PCT/GB2004/003010 which claims the priority of Great Britain Patent Application Nos. 0317126.1 and 0406417.6.


This Preliminary Amendment was considered when calculating the filing fee. Accordingly, the total number of claims specified on the Transmittal Letter is 43 and the number of independent claims is 7.

Claims 1-23 remain in the application and claims 24-43 are new. Claims 1-23 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to place the claims in proper U.S. format. Support for new claims 24-43 can be found in the specification, drawings and original claims, as filed, no new matter has been introduced. Support for new claim 24 is found in original claim 22. Support for new claim 25 is found in original claim 15. Support for new claim 26 is found in original claim 20. Support for new claim 27 is found in Example 5 on pages 14-15 of the specification as filed. Support for new claims 28-29 and 34 is found in original claims 1, 2 and 23. Support for new claims 30-33 is found on page 8 lines 12-24 of the specification as filed. Support for new claims 35-43 is found on page 4 lines 5-11 and page 10 lines 1-9 of the specification as filed. Accordingly, no new matter has been introduced.

It is not believed at this time that any additional fee is due. As a precaution, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 02-2865 any additional fee required by this submission.

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